



**DECLARATION  
Utility Application**

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **AORTIC OCCLUDER WITH ASSOCIATED FILTER AND METHODS OF USE DURING CARDIAC SURGERY** the specification of which

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is attached hereto OR  
 was filed on January 30, 1998 as United States Application Serial No.  
09/016,714 or  
PCT International Application No.  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above.

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Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Date of Filing	Priority Claimed Yes	No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Application Number(s)	Filing Date

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U.S. Parent Application Number	PCT Parent Number	Parent Filing Date	Status-Patented, Pending or Abandoned
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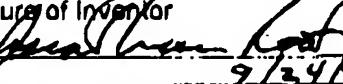
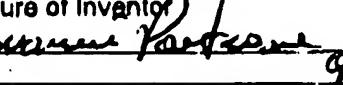
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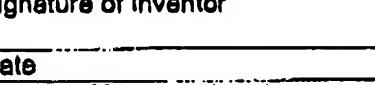
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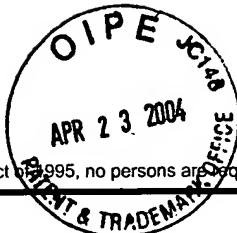
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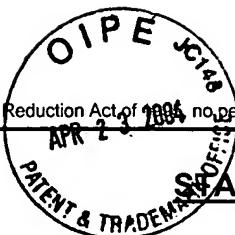
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